BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: Wed. April 21, 2004	Division: BOCC		
Bulk Item: Yes No XX	Department: Commissioner Rice, District 4		
AGENDA ITEM WORDING: Approval to allocate funds for the planning, survey, and conceptual design of the Duck Key wastewater system. ITEM BACKGROUND: At this time there is no Municipal Services Taxing District Unit for Duck Key and the earliest point that revenues could be collected from a newly created MSTU would be January 2006. PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION: CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES:			
		STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:	
		TOTAL COST:	BUDGETED: Yes No
		COST TO COUNTY:	SOURCE OF FUNDS:
REVENUE PRODUCING: Yes No	AMOUNT PER MONTH Year		
APPROVED BY: County Atty Of	MB/Purchasing Risk Management		
DIVISION DIRECTOR APPROVAL:	(David P. Rice, Commissioner, District 4)		
DOCUMENTATION: Included <u>XX</u>	To Follow Not Required		
DISPOSITION:	AGENDA ITEM # M7		

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April 9, 2004

Mayor Murray Nelson Damaron Building, Suite 2 99198 Overseas Highway Key Largo, FL 33037

Re.

Duck Key wastewater system

Dear Mayor Nelson:

It was a pleasure to meet with you and the Duck Key citizens group on Wednesday. It seemed clear that the Duck Key residents are united in their desire to move forward with a wastewater collection system for their area and that they recognize the importance of acting quickly to take advantage of the efficiencies of connecting to the existing plant at Hawk's Cay. As we stated last night, the Authority needs funding to move this project ahead at the pace that the citizens seem to want.

We estimate that the cost of planning, survey and conceptual design will be approximately \$150,000. That amount of funding should be sufficient to move the project ahead to the actual design phase. If we choose a design/build approach, we will then issue a request for proposals. If a traditional design and bid approach is more feasible, we will then engage engineers to design the collection system and advertise a construction bid.

The Authority would appreciate this matter being brought before the Board of County Commissioners at your April 21st meeting and that the BOCC consider funding the Authority's planning efforts for this project. As you know, there is no Municipal Services Taxing Unit for Duck Key and the soonest that any revenues would be available from a newly created MSTU would be January 2006. Since this is well beyond the project time line discussed with the residents on Wednesday, funding from the BOCC may be the only way to move this project forward in a timely manner.

Thank you for your continued support of this and other wastewater initiatives.

Very truly yours.

Kerry S. Shelby

Deputy Executive Director

Cc: **FKAA Board of Directors**

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